

COST SHARE AGREEMENT

Between

And

Following is the cost share agreement between the above-mentioned agencies as it was negotiated for the following incident:

INCIDENT NAME:

INCIDENT NUMBER:

INCIDENT CHARGE NUMBERS BY AGENCY:

INCIDENT START DATE AND TIME:

PROTECTION AGENCIES:

INCIDENT CAUSE:

COMMAND STRUCTURE:

Unified Command Start Date & Time:

Unified Command End Date & Time:

Incident Commander (IC):

COST SHARE PERIOD:

AGENCY REPRESENTATIVES (Participating in development of this agreement):

This cost share agreement between _____ and _____ was prepared under the following guidelines:

- 1) In accordance with the Montana Cooperative Fire Protection Agreement (Date of Agreement) as authorized by the Northern Rockies Region Six Party Cooperative Fire Management Agreement, number FS Number 05—F1-11015600-014.
- 2) All costs originating from orders placed by and for the incident that can be reasonably obtained and estimated for the cost share period will be included in this agreement and will be shared on the basis of the IC's mutual agreement.
- 3) Costs for nonexpendable property purchases by each agency will be charged directly to that agency and will not be shared.
- 4) Administrative overhead costs such as agency personnel, support and services, not directly assigned or ordered by the incident, will not be included as a part of this cost share agreement and will not be shared.
- 5) Cost incurred by cooperators not engaged in unified fire suppression activities will not be included as part of this cost share agreement.
- 6) Agency-specific costs will not be shared.
- 7) Non-suppression rehabilitation costs are the responsibility of the protection agency and will not be shared.
- 8) Responsibility for tort claims costs or compensation for injury costs will not be a part of this agreement. Responsibility for these costs will be determined outside this agreement.
- 9) Daily cost sharing will be documented and approved by the unified ICs or their representatives.
- 10) Structural fire protection costs will not be shared under this agreement. Each agency will be responsible for the structural protection costs that occur within their own fire protection jurisdictional area. *(These actions are defined in the 8/11/99, Northern Rockies Coordinating Group document titled "Structural Fire Protection".)*
- 11) Sharing of final actual costs between the agencies will be based on a summary of daily estimated incident suppression costs and each agency's proportionate share thereof as agreed to by the protection agencies.
- 12) Shared costs will be based on the unified ICs mutual judgment and agreement as to threat and resources assigned for each agency's area of protection.
- 13) Aircraft and retardant costs will be shared on an actual use basis as determined by the unified ICs and will be calculated as separate costs.
- 14) Large Fire Overhead Support provided by an Area Command, Buying Team, Expanded Dispatch, Mobilization and Demobilization Centers and Transportation Centers will not be shared in this agreement.
- 15) Within 180 days of close of the incident, the parties to this agreement will meet to determine the total costs of each agency. The agency whose total actual costs exceed their proportional share of the overall incident final costs as determined within this agreement will bill the other agency. The billing, when paid, will result in each agency sharing overall incident costs as herein agreed.

In accordance with the attached documentation, it is hereby agreed that cost sharing on this incident will be:

SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS: (Initial Attack and Severity Resources; Wilderness area acreages; specific aviation resources; evacuation costs, law enforcement, FEMA, Fire Use, National Guard, etc.)

This agreement and the apportionment are our last judgments of agency cost responsibilities.

(Signature/Title/Agency)

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(Date of the finalized agreement)

Contacts are:
